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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tornier et al.  
Appl. No. : 10/758,280  
Filed : January 16, 2004  
Title : ANCILLARY TOOL AND METHOD FOR POSITIONING A  
PROSTHETIC ACETABULUM OF A HIP PROSTHESIS

Grp./A.U. : 3733  
Examiner : Hoffman, Mary C.

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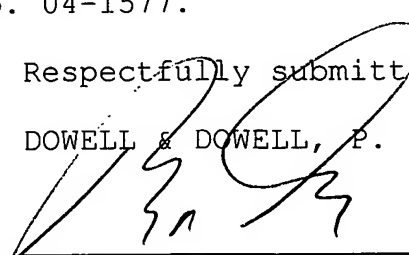
Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

It is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time, until October 16, 2006, be granted in which to respond to the Final Office Action dated May 16, 2006. The statutory fee for a two-month extension of time for a small entity \$225.00. However, since \$60.00 in extension of time fees have already been paid on September 18, 2006, payment in the amount of \$165.00 is attached. Any deficiencies in the extension of time fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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